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SUBJECT: CEP: SPECIAL MEETING ON LINES OF COMMUNICATIONS
- MAY 9-10, 1978

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1. THERE FOLLOW SIGNIFICANT ITEMS DISCUSSED AND AGREEMENTS
REACHED DURING A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE PLANNING BOARD
FOR EUROPEAN INLAND SURFACE TRANSPORT (PBEIST) ON LINES
OF COMMUNICATIONS (LOC) MOVEMENT REQUIREMENTS HELD AT NATO
HQ 9-10 MAY 1978. MEETING WAS ATTENDED BY REPRESENTATIVES
FROM SHAPE, OJCS, J4, USEUCOM J4/7 AND THE CHAIRMEN, LOC
REGIONAL SUB-COMMITTEES.

2. SHAPE REPRESENTATIVE PRESENTED PRELIMINARY SEA AND
AIRLIFT MOVEMENT REQUIREMENTS DATA FOR CENTRAL EUROPE IN
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TERMS OF GENERAL CARGO/CONTAINERS/VEHICLES/HEAVY LIFTS.
DATA WAS EXAMINED AND CHAIRMAN, CENTRAL REGION LOC SUB-
COMMITTEE, AGREED THAT FEASIBILITY ANALYSES UPON WHICH TO
PROVIDE REPORTS TO PBEIST IN OCTOBER 1978 COULD BE INITIA-
TED. SHAPE REP ALSO EVALUATED REQUESTS FROM CHAIRMEN FOR
ADDITIONAL DATA AND AGREED TO PROVIDE REQUESTED INFORMATION
BY DATES INDICATED:"

- (1) BY 19 MAY 1978 - PROVIDE CENTRAL EUROPE LOC MOVEMENT REQUIREMENTS INCLUDING UNIT EQUIPMENT AND DESTINATION INFORMATION. DATA PROVIDED WILL INCLUDE PALLET NUMBERS. DATA IS TO BE PRODUCED AT SHAPE TECHNICAL CENTER.

- (2) BY 31 MAY 1978 - SHIP AND AIRCRAFT DISTRIBUTION BY TYPE FOR INITIAL DATA AND ALL AMMO, POL AND OTHER TONNAGES FOR NORTHERN AND CENTRAL REGIONS. FYI: SOUTHERN REGION DATA FOR SOUTHERN REGION PREVIOUSLY PROVIDED REQUIRED NO CHANGES OR ADDITIONS. END FYI. THIS DATA WOULD ALLOW PBEIST TO HAVE SUFFICIENT INFO FOR ANALYSES.

- (3) BY 31 MAY 1978 OR AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, PROVIDE MAXIMUM TONNAGES AND SHIPS ON ANY ONE DAY OF THE LISTED PERIODS SO THAT MORE DETAILED FEASIBILITY ANALYSES MAY BE PERFORMED.

3. WE BELIEVE THAT DATA PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION BY SHAPE WAS WELL RECEIVED AND ASSISTED IN CLARIFYING REQUIREMENTS ISSUE. FURTHER, TO MAINTAIN CREDIBILITY, ACCOMPLISHMENT OF WORK OUTLINED IN PARA 2 ABOVE BY DATES INDICATED, IS ESSENTIAL TO SHAPE FOR ANALYTICAL WORK IN THIS (TRIMNC PHASE III) STUDY AND J-4, OJCS FOR AUTOMATED SUPPORT.

4. THE DIRECTOR, CEP, HAS SCHEDULED AN INFORMAL MEETING ON JUNE 2 AT NATO HQ IN ORDER TO STRUCTURE THE PRESENTATION.
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TION OF THE DATA LISTED ABOVE AT THE CENTRAL REGION LOC STUDY GROUP SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 5-6. ATTENDEES AT THIS MEETING WILL INCLUDE REPRESENTATIVES FROM IMS, AND IS.

5. THE DIRECTOR, NATO CEP, IN AN INFORMAL REQUEST TO THE MISSION CEP OFFICER, HAS SPECIFICALLY ASKED THAT LT. COL. BEN BEAR, OJCS, J4, BE PRESENT FOR THE JUNE 2 MEETING AS WELL AS AT THE JUNE 5 MEETING. WE BELIEVE THAT IF LT. COL. BEAR CAN BE PRESENT AT BOTH THE JUNE 2 AND JUNE 5-6 MEETINGS, IT WOULD MATERIALLY ASSIST THE NATO STAFF AND THE LOC STUDY GROUP IN UNDERSTANDING THE MOVEMENTS DATA DEVELOPED BY SHAPE AND WOULD FACILITATE THE WORK OF THE STUDY GROUP. ADDITIONALLY, WE BELIEVE THAT LT. COL. BEAR'S ATTENDANCE WOULD CONVINCE THE NON-BELIEVER STUDY GROUP MEMBERS THAT THE US IS SERIOUS IN ITS ATTEMPT TO PROVIDE SHAPE WITH BONA FIDE REQUIREMENTS.

6. ACTION REQUESTED: WASHINGTON GUIDANCE CONCERNING AVAILABILITY OF LT. COL. BEAR BY MAY 26. BENNETT

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